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## Highlights

- Winter wheat • Tree Fruit • Hops
- Dairy products • Potato Stocks
- Strawberry cold storage

## Survey results

This report contains forecasts of 2002 production intentions as summarized from the results of recent surveys of producers across Oregon and the Nation.

## June 1 Winter Wheat Forecast Down From May 1

Oregon winter wheat production was forecast at 35.25 million bushels, as of June 1, 2002, up 26 percent from last year. Acres for harvest, at 750,000, are up 7 percent from the previous year. Production is based on a forecasted yield of 47 bushels per harvested acre, down three bushels from the May 1 forecast, but up 7 bushels from 2001. Drought conditions in the major wheat producing areas of Oregon have severely stressed the dryland crop or killed it. Irrigated winter wheat and winter wheat on the west side of the State is still looking good.

Winter wheat production in the Pacific Northwest (Oregon, Idaho and Washington) is estimated at 197.5 million bushels, up 6 percent from the 2001 production. The PNW winter

wheat yield prospects declined during May. Idaho's winter wheat crop is forecast at 51.75 million bushels, down slightly from last year. The State-wide average yield is forecast at 75 bushels per acre, down 2 bushels from May 1, but up 2 bushels from 2001. Idaho crop development is behind normal due to cool spring temperatures, but the crop is developing rapidly since temperatures have warmed during the last half of May. Washington production is expected to total 110.5 million bushels, 4 percent above the previous crop. The expected yield is 65 bushels per acre, down 1 bushel from the May 1 forecast, but up 4 bushels from the final 2001 level. The Washington crop is rated mostly fair to good; however precipitation is needed to maintain this condition. A freeze in early May does not appear to have affected the Washington winter wheat crop.

Winter wheat: Area harvested, yield and production by states and United States, 2001 and forecasted June 1, 2002

State	Acres planted		Acres harvested		Yield per acre		Production		
	2001	2002	2001	Forecast 2002	2001	Forecast 2002	2001	Forecast 2002	2002 2001
			1,000 acres	1,000 acres	Bushels	Bushels	1,000 bushels	1,000 bushels	%
Oregon	750	800	700	750	40.0	47.0	28,000	35,250	126
Idaho	760	730	710	690	73.0	75.0	51,830	51,750	100
Washington	1,850	1,800	1,750	1,700	61.0	65.0	106,750	110,500	104
Pacific Northwest <sup>1/</sup>	3,360	3,330	3,160	3,140	59.0	63.0	186,580	197,500	106
U.S. total	41,078	41,076	31,295	30,174	43.5	41.0	1,361,479	1,237,671	91

<sup>1/</sup> Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington.

## U.S. Hop Acreage

Area strung for harvest in 2002 for Washington, Oregon, and Idaho is forecast at 29,282 acres, 18 percent less than the 2001 crop of 35,911 acres, and 19 percent less than the 2000 crop of 36,120 acres. Washington, with 20,320 acres for harvest, accounts for 69 percent of the U.S. total acreage, 6,019 acres less than a year ago. Oregon hop growers plan to harvest 5,577 acres, 19 percent of the U.S. total for 2002, with Idaho hop growers accounting for the remaining 12 percent, or 3,385 acres strung for harvest. Oregon and Idaho decreased their hop acreage from last year by 9 percent and 2 percent respectively. In Washington, crop progress in some hop yards has been reported mostly normal with vines one-half to two-thirds to the wire. Oregon's growing season was underway at the usual time.

### **Hops: Area harvested, by variety, by states, and United States, 2000-02 and forecasted for harvest June 1, 2002**

State and variety	Area harvested		Strung for harvest
	2000	2001	2002
<b>IDAHO</b>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Acres</i>
Chinook	170	120	-
Cluster	198	234	-
Galena	535	552	-
Mt. Hood	53	32	-
Nugget	68	54	-
Willamette	194	215	-
Zeus	403	477	-
Other varieties	1,700	1,785	-
Total <sup>1/</sup>	3,321	3,469	3,385
<b>OREGON</b>			
Cascade	-	-	217
Fuggle	63	-	-
Golding	115	-	-
Liberty	-	-	36
Millenium	*	117	421
Mt. Hood	250	257	243
Nugget	2,308	2,268	1,967
Perle	402	491	452
Santiam	17	-	-
Sterling	62	91	86
Willamette	2,142	2,434	1,912
Other varieties	460	445	243
Total	5,819	6,103	5,577
<b>WASHINGTON</b>			
Cascade	996	1,003	1,218
Chelan	-	317	295
Chinook	670	535	422
Cluster	939	534	480
Columbus/Tomahawk	4,594	4,915	3,674
Galena	5,044	4,375	3,224
Golding	36	45	26
Hallertauer	-	76	76
Horizon	316	339	337
Magnum	73	42	-
Millenium	-	1,382	1,455
Mt. Hood	367	333	107
Northern Brewer	-	97	97
Nugget	4,597	4,109	1,287
Perle	275	209	143
Tettnanger	-	60	48
Tillicum	-	369	194
Vanguard	-	54	-
Willamette	3,563	3,571	3,639
YCR-5(Warrior)	-	1,370	988
Zeus	1,994	2,186	2,265
Other Varieties	3,516	418	345
Total	26,980	26,339	20,320
<b>United States</b>	<b>36,120</b>	<b>35,911</b>	<b>29,282</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Beginning with the 2002 crop, only State totals will be published for Idaho to avoid disclosure of individual operations.

\* Included in Other Varieties to avoid disclosure of individual operations. -- Unknown or none.

## Frozen Strawberry Holdings Down

Frozen strawberry holdings in the United States on April 30, 2002 were 154.2 million pounds; 14 percent less than on April 30 of last year and 33 percent less than two years ago. In the Pacific Region (Oregon, Washington, and California) preliminary frozen strawberry holdings totaled 133.1 million pounds, down 12 percent from last year and down 28 percent from two years ago. The region held 86 percent of the U.S. frozen strawberry holdings on April 30, 2002 compared to 89 percent in September 30, 2001 and 84 percent April 30, 2001.

### **Cold storage holdings: Frozen strawberries**

Date	Pacific Region <sup>1/</sup> 1,000 pounds	United States 1,000 pounds
September 30		
1999	293,721	332,995
2000	386,615	442,746
2001	278,408	312,681
April 30		
2000	185,899	231,746
2001	151,540	179,841
2002	133,149	154,218

<sup>1/</sup> California, Oregon and Washington.

## **Dairy Products: Quantities Manufactured, April 2002**

Product		Production	
		April 2002	Change from 2001
		Thousand	Percent
Oregon			
American cheese	lb.	6,959	34.1
Ice cream, hard	gal	1,090	-1.4
United States			
Butter	lbs.	132,441	21.5
American cheese	lbs.	315,234	8.0
Creamed cottage cheese	lbs.	30,431	2.5
Canned evap. and condensed whole milk	lbs.	34,204	-11.5
Non-fat dry milk	lbs.	157,258	19.4
Yogurt-plain & flavored	lbs.	177,837	5.1
Ice cream, hard	gal	79,656	1.5
Ice cream, low fat, soft	gal	27,084	-6.7
Frozen yogurt, all	gal	6,805	-2.4

## June 1, Stocks Down 53 Percent

Potato stocks in Oregon totaled 3.0 million cwt. (150,000 tons), on June 1, 2002, down 53 percent from June 1, 2001. Stocks account for 14 percent of 2001 production, down 7 percent from last year. Oregon stocks were not all grown in Oregon. Stocks include potatoes received from other states now being stored in Oregon. Eighty-nine percent of Oregon's stocks are in the Hermiston/Boardman area, compared to 77 percent a year ago. Hermiston/Boardman area stocks were down 46 percent from June 1, 2001. Potato stocks are defined as the quantity (whether sold or not) remaining in storage for all purposes and use, including shrinkage and waste, and other losses that occur after June 1.

### **Potatoes: Production and total stocks of fall potatoes, 2000 and 2001**

State	Crop of 2000			Crop of 2001		
	Production	Total stocks June 1, 2001	June 1 stocks as % of production	Production	Total Stocks June 1, 2002	June 1 Stocks as % of production
	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	Percent	1,000 cwt.	1,000 cwt.	Percent
<b>Oregon</b>	<b>30,683</b>	<b>6,400</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20,730</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>14</b>
Idaho	152,320	26,500	17	127,980	26,500	21
Washington	105,000	13,000	12	94,400	10,000	11
Pacific Northwest <sup>1/</sup>	288,003	45,900	16	243,110	39,500	16
California	3,741	500	13	1,113	<sup>2/</sup>	
Colorado	27,972	3,500	13	21,357	1,700	8
Maine	17,920	1,900	11	16,120	1,500	9
Michigan	14,963	<sup>2/</sup>		14,030	<sup>2/</sup>	
Minnesota	21,240	3,500	16	18,425	2,600	14
Montana	3,503	320	9	3,040	<sup>2/</sup>	
Nebraska	10,127	<sup>2/</sup>		8,512	<sup>2/</sup>	
New York	5,964	<sup>2/</sup>		5,942	<sup>2/</sup>	
North Dakota	26,950	4,000	15	26,400	4,400	17
Ohio	1,134	<sup>2/</sup>		984	<sup>2/</sup>	
Pennsylvania	3,510	<sup>2/</sup>		3,173	<sup>2/</sup>	
Wisconsin	33,800	1,400	4	31,955	1,500	5
Other states		220			250	
<b>15 State total</b>	<b>458,827</b>	<b>61,240</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>394,161</b>	<b>51,450</b>	<b>13</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Includes Oregon, Idaho and Washington. <sup>2/</sup> Stocks included in other State's stocks.

## Tree Fruit Production

Sweet cherry production in Oregon is forecast to be 39,000 tons in 2002, down two percent from last year. Production in the Pacific Coast States (Oregon, California, and Washington) is forecast to total 199,000 tons, down one percent from 2001.

Oregon's Bartlett pear crop is forecast at 70,000 tons, unchanged from last year and up 17 percent from 2000. For the Pacific Coast States, the crop is forecast to total 505,000 tons, slightly below 2001 and down three percent from two years ago.

### Tree fruit: Total production, by crop and State, 2000 - 2001 and forecasted June 1, 2002

Crop /State	2000	2001	Forecast 2002	2002 /2001
	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Sweet cherries: <sup>1/</sup>				
California	47,000	55,300	65,000	118
<b>Oregon</b>	<b>37,000</b>	<b>40,000</b>	<b>39,000</b>	<b>98</b>
Washington	95,000	106,000	95,000	90
3 State total	179,000	201,300	199,000	99
Bartlett pears:				
California	282,000	237,000	260,000	110
<b>Oregon</b>	<b>60,000</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>70,000</b>	<b>100</b>
Washington	176,000	200,000	175,000	88
3 State total	518,000	507,000	505,000	100
	<i>Million lbs.</i>	<i>Million lbs.</i>	<i>Million lbs.</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Peaches:				
California, freestone	791.0	773.0	830.0	107
California, clingstone <sup>2/</sup>	1,064.0	952.0	1,050.0	110
<b>Oregon</b> <sup>3/</sup>	—	—	—	—
Washington <sup>3/</sup>	—	—	—	—

<sup>1/</sup> The first production forecast of sweet cherries in Idaho, Michigan, Montana, New York, Pennsylvania and Utah and of tart cherries in Colorado, Michigan, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Utah and Wisconsin will be published in "Cherry Production" to be released on July 1, 2002.

<sup>2/</sup> California clingstone peaches is over-the-scale tonnage and includes culls and cannery diversions.

<sup>3/</sup> The first production forecast of peaches in Oregon and Washington will be published in "Crop Production" to be released on July 11, 2002.

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